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**RULE 116 AMENDMENT  
RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Kenneth M. Buckland et al.  
Serial No.: 09/414,082  
Filing Date: October 6, 1999  
Group Art Unit: 2665  
Examiner: Justin M. Philpott  
Title: METHOD FOR USING A PRE-CONFIGURED TDM  
SWITCH AND TRAFFIC DISCARD TO  
FACILITATE UPSR SELECTION

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**RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

In response to the Final Office Action mailed September 21, 2004, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following Amendments thereto, and the comments as set forth below. Please amend the Application as follows.